

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Acting Chairman;
Tony Hammond, Vice Chairman;
Mark Acton;
Ruth Y. Goldway; and
Nanci E. Langley

Competitive Product Prices
Parcel Return Service Contract 3 (MC2013-39)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2013-51

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued February 25, 2015)

The negotiated service agreement approved in this proceeding (Existing Agreement) is set to expire March 2, 2015.¹ The Postal Service filed a motion requesting that the Commission extend the expiration date of the Existing Agreement.²

The Postal Service states that the parties have reached an agreement on a new contract. *Id.* at 2. The Postal Service expects to file the new agreement with the Commission within the next week. *Id.* However, because of the timing, a short window will exist between the expiration of the Existing Agreement and the effective date of the new contract and will create an interruption in the customer's access to negotiated

¹ See Order No. 1672, Order Adding Parcel Return Service Contract 3 to the Competitive Product List, March 1, 2013.

² Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, February 24, 2015 (Motion).

rates. *Id.* at 1-2. To avoid this, the Postal Service requests that the Commission grant an extension allowing the Existing Agreement to remain in effect until such time as the Commission is able to complete its review of the new agreement. *Id.*

The Motion is granted. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue through, and will expire on April 2, 2015, or upon approval by the Commission of a new agreement, whichever occurs first. Allowing the Existing Agreement to remain in effect temporarily is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person.

It is ordered:

1. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed February 24, 2015, is granted.
2. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue through, and will expire on April 2, 2015, or upon approval by the Commission of a new agreement, whichever occurs first.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove
Secretary